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THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

n re Application of:	DOWELS AND METHOD FOR THE ASSEMBLY OF INSULATING PANELS
JOACHIM TIEMANN et al	) ) Group Art Unit 3635
Serial No. 10/647,916	, )
Filed August 26, 2003	) Examiner Basil S. Katcheves )

## SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 4, 2006 and in conjunction with the Request for Continued Examination dated May 4, 2006, Applicants wish to amend their above-identified application as follows:

> 37 CFR 1.8 **CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on May 11, 2006.

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